EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Logistics Agency

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Defense Logistics Agency, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Defense Logistics Agency announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, the information collection on respondents, including thorough use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by January 27, 1999. ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendation on the proposed information collection should be sent to Director, Defense Logistics Agency, ATTN: Kenneth Dougherty, DDAS, 8725 John J. Kingman Road, Suite 2533, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060–6221.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instructions, please write to the above address, or call Mr. Kenneth Dougherty at (703) 767–1657.

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Request for Approval for Procurement Technical Assistance Cooperative Agreement Performance Report, DLA Form 1806, OMB Control Number 0704–0320.

Needs and Uses: The Defense Logistics Agency uses the report as the principal instrument for measuring, on a semiannual basis, Cooperative Agreement recipient's (State and local governments, private nonprofit organizations, Indian tribal organizations and Indian economic enterprises) performance against the goals and objectives as established in their application for which the award was made.

Affected Public: State or local governments; businesses or other forprofit; Federal agencies or employees; Nonprofit institutions; Small businesses or organizations.

Annual Burden Hours: 1344. Number of Respondents: 84. Responses per Respondent: 2. Average Burden per Response: 8 hrs. Frequency: Semiannually.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

Cooperative agreements are awarded on a competitive basis. Past performance is a major evaluation factor for selecting programs to be funded each fiscal year. Past performance data is obtained from the performance report. The data is used to measure recipient accomplishments against goals and objectives set forth in the application, for which an award was made. The reported data also provides budget information (total amount expended, total DoD fund expended) used to monitor the expenditure of DoD funds and to assure that the DoD/recipient share ratio established at award is maintained

Additionally, the information is used to identify programs that are experiencing difficulty to establish the need for assistance and the frequency of on-site reviews.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education. **ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Education requests comments on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) that the Secretary proposes to use for the 2000–2001 year. The FAFSA is completed by students and their families and the information submitted on the form is used to determine the students' eligibility and financial need for financial aid under the student financial assistance programs authorized under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (Title IV, HEA Programs). The Secretary

also requests comments on changes under consideration for the 2001–2002 FAFSA. This notice provides additional information not provided in an earlier notice published on November 23, 1998.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 22, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202–4651. In addition, interested persons can access this document on the Internet:

- (1) Go to IFAP at http://ifap.ed.gov
- (2) Click on the "Bookshelf"
- (3) Scroll down and click on "FAFSA and Renewal FAFSA Forms and Instructions"
- (4) Click on "By 2000–2001 Award Year"
- (5) Click on "FAFSA Instructions"
- (6) Click on the red icon to open the file.

Please note that the free Adobe Acrobat Reader software, version 3.0 or greater, is necessary to view this file. This software can be downloaded for free from Adobe's website: http:// www.adobe.com

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708–8196. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 483 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), requires the Secretary, "in cooperation with agencies and organizations involved in providing student financial assistance," to "produce, distribute and process free of charge a common financial reporting form to be used to determine the need and eligibility of a student under" the Title IV, HEA Programs. This form is the FAFSA. In addition, Section 483 authorizes the Secretary to include nonfinancial data items that assist States in awarding State student financial assistance.

In consultation with the financial aid community, State agencies administering student financial aid, and the public, the FAFSA was substantially redesigned for the 1999–2000 year. Therefore the proposed 2000–2001 FAFSA was intentionally designed to be a "rollover," containing minimal change from the redesigned 1999–2000 application.